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Dear Sir:

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

1. (Amended) A method comprising:

identifying a first version of a software module, the software module being installed on a computer system and being associated with circuitry of the computer system;  
identifying a second version of the software module;  
automatically determining whether the second version is more current than the first version and whether the second version is compatible with the circuitry; and  
indicating the result of the determination.

17. (Amended) A program storage device, readable by a programmable control device, comprising:

instructions stored on the program storage device for causing the programmable control device to  
identify a first version of a software module, the software module being installed on a computer system and being associated with the circuitry of the computer system;  
identify a second version of the software module;  
automatically determine whether the second version is more current than the first version and whether the second version is compatible with the circuitry; and  
indicate the result of the determination.

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Please add the following new claims:

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41. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the determining comprises:  
determining a date associated with the first version, the date establishing compatibility  
between the second and first versions.
42. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein the circuitry comprises an add-in card.
43. (New) The program storage device of claim 17, further comprising instructions to  
cause the programmable control device to determine a date associated with the first version, the  
date establishing compatibility between the first and second versions.
44. (New) The programmable storage device of claim 17, wherein the circuitry  
comprises an add-in card.
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